

# OPERATORS BUSY WITH ANSWERS

Questionnaires Being Mailed  
to the Fact Finding Com-  
mission in Washington.

Some real hard work is being done by coal company attaches these days on the questionnaire incident to the coal industry, which is being sent to the Fact-Finding Commission. The statements are sworn to before the questionnaire is mailed to the commission.

Quite a few questionnaires were sent into the commission by the time specified, which was yesterday, but it is safe to presume that many of them have not gone forth.

Today's issue of the Coal Trade Bulletin, Pittsburgh, of which Robert Z. Virgin is editor, will carry the following comment on the coal questionnaire:

"What is it all about? Who wants to know? What good is it? How am I going to fill it out? These questions are the main points of speech with many coal miners and operators after the letter was recently received from the United Coal Commission.

"This questionnaire is the first of a series that may be expected in the immediate future. It is the Commission's attempt to penetrate into the coal mining business in the bituminous coal fields. A careful examination of its contents will reveal the fact that it is the intention of the commission to comb the coal business and industry for facts. Any feature slipping past, will have to be small enough to pass through a fine tooth comb.

"Without counting the answers related interested persons and associations will file, there will be answers from coal operators, brokers, and retailers. Each of these units answering 146 questions, would give the commission about 5,000,000 answers. These answers will cover only one feature of the investigation. The total number of all answers the commission will probably receive will be around the half billion mark. What a gigantic investigation this will be when completed!

"This is intended to be a mutual benefit feature whose sole purpose is the promotion of the coal business on a plan of greater efficiency and accuracy than now carried on. Actual cost figures, proven ways better means and suggestions for bettering the coal business will be available to any interested person, after the facts and figures have been tabulated from this tremendous undertaking.

"There is no thought of profit, no selfish motive and no biased actions on the part of those sponsoring the commission's investigation, except the indirect profits which are sure to come to the whole industry and the public through the development of improved business methods, and the elimination of wasteful and inefficient practices.

"Following this questionnaire another is in preparation. This one has for its purpose the exacting of the number of persons in the industry. It will require each operator to give the number of all persons on their payroll during the past year. It will require the exact number of hours per day worked by those employees individually, together with their earnings, monthly. As a result, the overhead expenses will be increased once more.

"In order that this feature of the commission may function efficiently and properly, it is necessary that answers to those questionnaires be as nearly uniform as possible in the same coal field where operations are in the same general system functioning like a clearing house, and established in each coal field center, will be of great assistance to the Commission.

"The cost of this movement has been estimated at four miles per ton of output on members of the association. The cost to run for six months, as of October to March. It would seem this arrangement would be welcomed by operators, especially the smaller ones who could not afford to get individual representation.

"In order that these answers may be accurately prepared and properly presented, individual operating organizations would benefit by combining in one general plan. This would allow this business to be transacted with efficiency and dispatch.

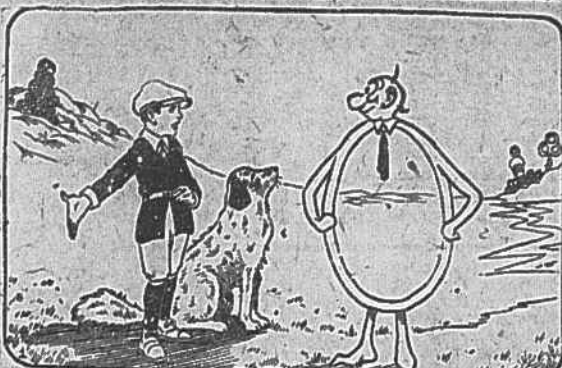
"It is hoped that operators will get together and present their case to the commission, so that the searchlight thrown on the business will reveal the fact that they have nothing to hide, and thereby establish for themselves a position in the public's eye, to which they are justly entitled.

## JACK DAW IN HOOPLAND

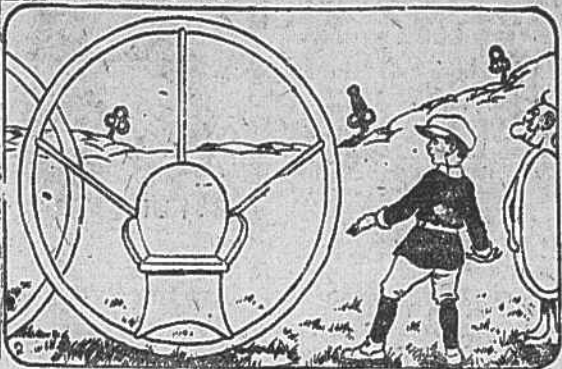
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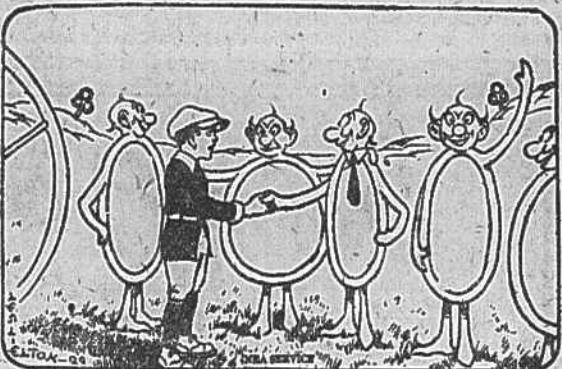
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Jack told Heeza that he would very much like to stay in Hoopland for a long time. "I'm sorry," explained the round little man, "but after a person has seen everything that there is to see in Hoopland, I have to make him leave the island. I will call my magic hoops to take you and Flip away."



And almost immediately, as if from nowhere, two of the largest hoops that Jack had seen appeared in front of him. They had no feet, nor arms, nor head, but fastened to the hoops were large seats. "There you are," said Heeza Hoop, "climb in and make yourselves comfortable."



Jack helped Flip to get fixed in one of the seats and then he snuggled down in the other one. As he waved goodbye to the gathering of Hoopland people, Heeza Hoop shouted, "Away, Hoops!" And instantly Jack felt himself rising and once again bound for the clouds. (Continued.)

Ralph Decker, James Spadeford, Howard Aldridge, Demond Gird, Sam Leathman, James Keenun, Alfred Gird, Sylvester Gaubie, Ruth Tarleton, Arlie Bradley, Charles Sydnall, Luther Conrad, Arnold McDonald, Arch Estep, Walter Conrad, Raymond Salter and the hostess.

**Attend Convention**  
The third district convention of the Pythian Sisters was held at Fairview last Friday. Those attending from the local lodge were Miss Iva Costello, Miss May Costello, Mrs. Minnie Jarrett and Mrs. Minnie Sydnall.

**Class Entertained**  
The J. P. Kibbee Class of the M. P. Sunday School were entertained at the home of Mrs. W. E. Stuck last Monday evening. It was agreed to pay the sum of \$5 to the Times Christmas fund. Among those present were Mrs. J. E. Moats, Mrs. C. H. Tarleton, Mrs. M. E. Merrifield, Mrs. E. E. Anderson, Mrs. John Shumaker, Mrs. W. E. Stuck, Mrs. John Sheets and Miss Rhea Gird.

**Return From Hospital**  
Mrs. Bracken, who recently underwent a surgical operation at Cook Hospital, has recovered sufficiently to be removed to her home on Locust avenue. Mrs. Bracken is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hartley and formerly lived in Watson.

**Teacher Ill**  
Miss Jean Hale, teacher of the second grade pupils of the Watson School, was unable to attend school yesterday on account of illness. Her place in the school was filled by her brother, H. H. Hale.

**Miss Cook Hostess**  
Miss Lucile Cook was hostess to a number of Watson young people last Tuesday evening at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. William Cook. Parlor games and music were the diversions and at a late hour refreshments were served the guests.

Members of the Watson singing class were entertained at the home of the Misses Iva and Mae Costello last Thursday evening. Only members of the class were included in the invitations. A Christmas program, to be given at the local M. P. Church, was planned during the meeting.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Bert Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. John Sheets, Mrs. Wesley Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. William Costello, Mrs. Robert Costello, Miss Doris Gladys Halo, Miss Iva Costello, Miss Mildred Peters, Miss Georgia Hale and Miss Irene Costello. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Sheets in Pike street.

**Change Residences**  
Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bennett, who have been living in apartments on the second floor of the Consolidation Coal Co. store building have moved their family to Mtnersville. Mr. and Mrs. Claude Jackson who have been living here for some time, moved to Locust avenue recently.

Christmas Tree  
At a meeting of the Pythian

Sisters lodge held yesterday evening it was decided that the organization will have a Christmas tree at their hall on Christmas evening. The affair will be exclusively for the members and their families with possible invitations extended to a few children of the neighborhood.

**School Program**  
A Christmas program, which will be given next Wednesday afternoon, is being rehearsed by pupils of the Watson schools. The program will consist of songs, recitations, and other numbers featuring the Christmas season.

**Personal**  
G. M. Hale, who has been indisposed for a few days, has recovered sufficiently to resume his duties in his store.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Merrifield and their daughter, Mrs. J. E. Moats, were guests at the home of the former's parents for the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Hawley, who have been visiting friends here for the past several weeks, returned to their home at New Martinsville recently.

Mrs. George Stevens and daughter Ada May of Bellview were guests of the former's sister, Mrs. J. F. Reynolds, the first of the week.

Mrs. J. H. Harlie of Rivesville, spent Wednesday as the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Fitzhugh.

The Misses Alma and Gertrude Martin have returned to their home near Mannington after a visit with relatives here.

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In the City  
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218 JACKSON ST., PHONE 346-R

## This Date in History

December 16  
1653—William Gouge died; a minister of the famous assembly of divines, and appointed one of the annotators of the Bible.  
1656—Edmund Wingate died; an English writer on arithmetic and mathematics.  
1723—John Trenchard died; an eminent English patriot and political writer.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
All cancellation orders on contract and until further orders must be in writing addressed to the Want-Ad Department. This is for your protection.  
The West Virginian will not be responsible for more than one incorrect insertion of any advertisement ordered for more than one time.

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Philadelphia Battery Service Station  
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PHONE 821-J  
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## Poultry and Supplies

**WORLD'S FAMOUS FIGHTING**  
Fowls that have a great record the world over. Send for free circular. Alfred F. Graham, Cameron, N. C. 6206 A

## For Rent

SIX ROOMS and bath, laundry and garage. Near the Liberty Garage. 214 Morgantown avenue. 6151A

## Dentists

**DENTAL BARGAINS**—Gold crowns \$5.00 up. False teeth \$12.00 up. Teeth extracted 75c. Dr. Smith, 304 Merchant street. Open evenings. 5986A

## Piano Tuning & Repairing

RALPH HAWLEY, tuner, manufacturer registered mechanic No. 226, telephone 407-R. 6203 A

## Restaurants

**FOR BETTER MEALS and service** Palace Restaurant, 123 Main Street. 5987A

## Business Opportunities

**GETTING** started in business. \$2.00 for book 600 different ways to make money. Write Hanson's Industrial Lawyers, 156 Broadway, New York City. 6184A

**START YOUR OWN BUSINESS.** Make more money! Retail Rawleigh's Good Health Food Products, Spices, Flavors, Medicines, Toilet Preparations, etc. 150 every day necessities used by millions. Largest company; established 34 years. Favorably known all over America. Products sold on time; lowest wholesale. No experience, practically no capital needed. We furnish everything, teach you to manage your own permanent, big-paying business. \$3,000-\$5,000 yearly. Particulars free; give age, occupation, references. W. T. Rawleigh Co., Dept. 960, Freeport, Illinois. 6165A

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**AIREDALE PUPPIES** 3 months old. The prize dog for companionship and intelligence. Come and let me show you what an ideal gift will do. An ideal gift. Price reasonable. Nimsal Nums, 330 Hamilton street, Fairmont, W. Va. 6195A

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and white Jumbos, \$12.50; Alredales, pedigree, 3-12 months, crackjacks, \$11.50; spaniels, bull terriers, fox terriers, rat terriers, black and tan, Japanese terriers, poodles and others, \$8.50; Dalmatians, pure white, \$15; Boston pedigree, brindle and white markings, \$30; grown dogs, Alredales, pedigree, 12 to 20 months, real crackjacks, \$15; Eskimos, 12 months, \$20; broken hounds with guarantee, \$25; collies, 12 to 18 months, real ones, they are handsome, \$15; fox terriers, 12 months, black, white, tan, bargains \$12.50; black and tan 13 months, very good companion, \$10; don't buy imitations for small money; we are reliable, send check or money order with your order. Southwark Kennels, 703 Mercy St., Philadelphia. 6208 A

**CANARIES**, imported and domestic, special guaranteed singer with beautiful cage, \$5.00. We ship anywhere. Write for price list. Musso's, 845 N. 12th St., Philadelphia. 6208 A

## Today's Blunder Corrected

By JOHN S. SCOTT  
Postmaster, Fairmont  
It is always best to use standard size cards or envelopes. During the Christmas, Easter and Jewish holiday seasons great quantities of very small envelopes and cards are put into the mails, with the result that all postal work is very much retarded and considerable mail disfigurement and torn. These small and irregular shaped envelopes and cards do not run freely through our postmarking machines, but frequently get caught in belts and are mutilated and torn; and many of them are of such odd shapes that they must be held out of the regular mail and postmarked by hand, which is a slow and tedious process. Delay is also caused by the fact that small sizes do not fit into letter packages readily and cannot be tied securely.

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The problem of filling needs is easily settled on the principle of reciprocity, for what one has to sell the other wants to buy.  
This is the great principle underlying the Wants Ads and it has worked for years with such great success that this form of advertising has come to be very popular.  
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**FAIRMONT BEAUTY SHOP** WE HAVE just received a line of 24 inch switches. Priced from \$3.50 up. Call 1992 for appointment. 329 Monroe street, opposite postoffice. Rosie Tucker, Proprietress.

**DR. DEEM, CHIROPODIST AND FOOT SPECIALIST** AT SHORT LEFF AND WELTON'S EVERY MONDAY. 6085A

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## Boarders Wanted

**GENTLEMEN BOARDERS**—Room and Board \$10.00 per week; newly fitted up; free bath; modern conveniences; FAIRMONT ROOMING HOUSE AND RESTAURANT, 214 Water St., Phone 1669. 6103A

## Wanted

**WANTED**—Old false teeth. We pay high as \$10 for full sets. Don't matter if broken, Western Metal Company, Bloomington, Illinois. 6205 A

**FIRST CLASS DRIVER** and mechanic wants position as chauffeur. Can furnish references. Call 1693-M. 6178A

**BAUGS**—Highest prices paid for secondhand burlap and cotton bags. Freight allowance on large shipments. Send description for quotation. Richmond Bag Co., Richmond, Va. 6097A

**WANT to hear from owner** having farm for sale; give particulars and lowest price. John J. Black, Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin. 5984A

**WANTED**—At once, girl to do general housework. Call 2033. 6192A

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**6 ACRES** \$900. Fine land, good 6 room house, other buildings, one mile from good town on railroad with high school. Price \$900 down balance \$150. per year. M. L. TROUT REALTY CO., H. V. ATKINSON, Agt., MCARTHEE, Ohio. 6211 A

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## Female Help Wanted

**WANTED**—Maid for general housework. Colored preferred. Phone 1125-J. 6196A

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**WANT TO HEAR FROM OWNER** having farm for sale; give particulars and lowest price. John J. Black, Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin. 6210 A

## Reward

**REWARD** offered for Bank Book lost December 14th containing checks and money. Return to Fairmont Office and Store Supply Co. Phone 1789-R. 6194A

## Farms for Sale

**HOMESICKERS** send for Virginia farm list best climate. Dept. V. Emporia, Va. 5982 A

## SPECIAL NOTICE

**TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:**  
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Charles Clark, residing at Four States, in Marion County, West Virginia, will, on the 1st day of December, 1932, at 12 o'clock, noon, make application to the circuit court of Marion County, West Virginia, for a state license to carry about my person a revolver. My occupation is that of night watchman for the Four States Coal Company.  
This 8th day of December, 1932.  
CHARLES CLARK

## NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of The Peoples National Bank of Fairmont, a banking corporation, organized and doing business under the laws of the United States, will be held at the banking house of said corporation in the city of Fairmont, Marion County, West Virginia, on Tuesday the 9th day of January, 1933, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing a board of directors to act for said bank during the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may be properly considered at a stockholders' meeting.  
Given under my hand as president of said bank on this 8th day of December, A. D. 1932.  
J. M. BROWNFIELD,  
President of the Peoples National Bank of Fairmont.  
Dec. 9-16-23-30 Jan. 8.

## NOTICE

The Morris Pearson Tailoring Company is changing ownership on December 28th. Anyone having any bills against this company will please present them and any one owing the company will please call and settle their account. Pearsons Tailoring Company, 432 Main Street.

## Miscellaneous For Sale

**FOR SALE**  
Board of Education of Winfield District will offer for sale, by auction, the old school building and lot at Hoult. Sale will be held at present location Wednesday, January 10, 1933, at 2 p. m.  
Said Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all bids.  
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